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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Claim Objections***

1. Claims 9-11 are objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from another multiple dependent claim, either directly or indirectly. See MPEP § 608.01(n). Accordingly, the claims 9-11 have not been further treated on the merits.

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

2. Claims 1-8 and 12-17 are allowed.

### ***Conclusion***

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

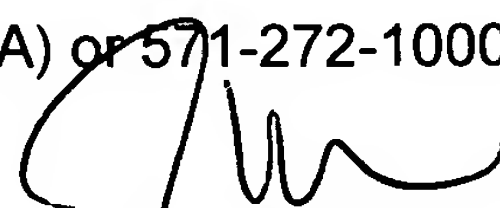
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